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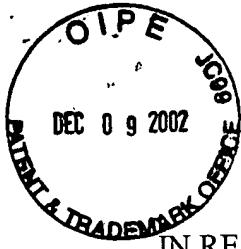
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), Applicants hereby certify that each item of information contained in the accompanying Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed concurrently herewith was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office, namely an International Search Report for a counterpart European patent application, not more than three months prior to the filing of the accompanying Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

Accordingly, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), Applicants request consideration and entry of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

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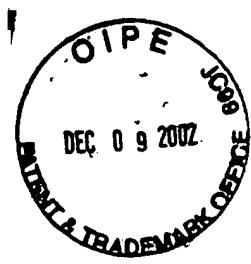
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A copy of the International Search Report is also enclosed, which satisfies the requirement for a concise statement of relevancy pursuant to M.P.E.P. §609 (1995).

Applicants submit that the present invention is patentable over these references.

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